



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3226**
Akihiko OHTA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0407A
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated October 16, 2006, the period for response having been extended for two months by the attached petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.

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